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BOOK REVIEWS

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TEXT BOOK OF ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY FOR NURSES. By Diana Clifford Kimber and Carolyn E. Gray, B.S., R.N. The Macmillan Company, New York. Price, \$2.60.

Until Miss Kimber's first edition of the *Anatomy and Physiology for Nurses*, in 1894, there was not an adequate text book on this subject for the use of the pupil nurse. This work was the outgrowth of the author's class-room experience and therefore was a book peculiarly adapted to the needs of the nurse. We are pleased to welcome this fifth edition, entirely revised and practically rewritten but preserving the general original outline and order of chapters. Miss Gray, who has undertaken this revision, is extraordinarily qualified both by training and position to know the requirements for the training and education of the nurse. The importance of physiology has been recognized and this division of the subject has been given preëminence. "Enough Anatomy is given to make the physiology intelligible." Digestion and metabolism are given prominence as a groundwork for the intelligent study of dietetics, which is a subject of paramount importance to the nurse. There are many excellent illustrations and colored plates. The book is by far the best and most practical text book for the use of the pupil nurse, that we have at the present time.

PRINCIPLES OF BACTERIOLOGY. By Arthur A. Eisenberg, A.B., M.D. C. V. Mosby Company, St. Louis. Price, \$1.75.

An addition to the various text books on bacteriology for nurses is one by Dr. Eisenberg who explains that the present work represents "my syllabus of lectures." There is perhaps a more detailed description of laboratory technique than is found in other text books, and the author has incorporated as much of the newer contributions to the theory and practice of bacteriology as possible. A complete questionnaire is provided at the end of the book to facilitate study and review. The book is illustrated.

DENTAL PHYSIOLOGY AND ORAL HYGIENE. By David Stanley Hill, D.D.S. The Le Crone Press, Effingham, Ill. Price, \$1.25.

To-day, more than ever before, people are very interested in their own welfare and are keen to understand the technique of right living. It is asserted with authority that many of the infectious and contagious diseases find their beginning in unclean oral conditions. The parents, the teacher, the trained nurse must coöperate to teach the

child correct habits. In modern dentistry, as in medicine, prophylaxis is emphasized more and more emphatically. This little book should have a cordial welcome because of its splendid fulfillment of the present-day need. Normal teeth are described; the importance of oral hygiene depicted; the treatment and care of irregular and decayed teeth explained. The book is fitly illustrated and is of value to the teacher and nurse.

SURGICAL NURSING AND AFTER TREATMENT. A Hand-book for Nurses and Others. By H. C. Rutherford Darling, M.D. Chicago Medical Book Company, American Agents. Price, \$2.50.

This book deals with only one branch of nursing, Surgical Nursing, and it has been written in accordance with the syllabus laid down for the final examinations of the Australian Trained Nurses' Association. It is, in fact, dedicated to this association which has done so much toward the advancement of nursing in Australia. The text is divided into General Surgical Nursing and Regional Surgical Nursing. The study is introduced by several chapters on such subjects as Bacteriology, Infection, Immunity, Sepsis, etc. Each chapter throughout the book has a complete and detailed outline or tabulated form of contents at the beginning. The text is clear and easy in construction, giving minute and detailed explanation of both condition and treatment. One might expect a considerable difference from ours in methods and apparatus in so far a country. On the contrary, the book conforms to our own methods and procedures. It is a book that every surgical nurse should know because of the graphic and comprehensive text and many practical illustrations. As stated in the preface, "In actual practice there is generally no time to explain the multitudinous details of surgical nursing, so this book supplies the requisite elucidation, and reduces the duties of a nurse to a state of orderly sequence."

LORD LISTER. By Sir Rickman John Godlee, Bt. The Macmillan Company, Ltd., London and New York. Price, \$6.00.

At the present time when, especially in surgery, treatments and methods change and develop during a short space of time, and discoveries in the scientific management of morbid conditions are of almost daily occurrence, it may be both pleasing and instructive to read of a great man who had time for much study and research and yet was not prominently known until he was close to forty years of age. Lister's campaign against wound infection and what was then called hospital diseases was begun in 1865 when he was 38 years old. This is the beginning of all modern antiseptic technique. We are interestingly told of his work and correspondence with Pasteur in